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ITALY'S HOPES REST IN ALLIED COUNCIL

Believe That Austria's Political Scheme to Intimidate Nation Will Now Be Offset.

Washington, Feb. 6.—An official dispatch from Rome indicates that certain Italian politico-territorial questions have been discussed by the plenary meeting of the supreme war council of the allies at Versailles.

"Italian public opinion," the dispatch says, "was favorably impressed by the declarations of Premier Orlando in connection with the Paris conference, and the people are confident that the political questions of Italy may finally be solved, dissipating completely any fear of an Italian imperialistic program exploited by the enemy for the purpose of creating diffidence and suspicion to the prejudice of Italy."

"The Italian press expresses the hope that the allied conference will also help in destroying the false illusions that Austrian pacifist maneuvers may have produced in the minds of some people."

Italy's claims have been of great interest since the late body of American and British war aims and particularly since Count Cernin held out his invitation for discussion of peace to Mr. Wilson. Her ambition to have control of the eastern Adriatic shore, has been cited in various publications as an obstacle to a separate peace with Austria.

Neither President Wilson nor Prime Minister Lloyd George sanctioned these desires, and their silence caused much agitation in Italy. Before the Versailles council met, Premier Orlando visited London to discuss the matter.

The expression "dissipating any fear of the Italian imperialistic program" would indicate that Italy is in a conciliatory mood.

MORE OF GERMAN INTRIGUE COMING TO LIGHT

French Secure Documents Which More Fully Explain Duplicity of the Huns.

Paris, Feb. 6.—The Petit Parisien yesterday published the text of German official documents which are alleged by the newspaper to establish that the war was premeditated and prearranged by the Berlin authorities.

The documents were brought to France by a "famous French scientist," who obtained them from a celebrated Russian revolutionary paper. No names are given. It is said, as a result of the publication, would endanger the lives of the men.

The most important document is a circular dated June 9, 1914, in which the German general headquarters ordered all owners of factories to open the mobilization envelopes in their possession.

A circular dated Nov. 2, 1914, informs military agents on the frontiers of Russia, France, Italy and Norway that unlimited credits have been opened at German banks in Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, China and the United States, which the general headquarters authorizes them to use for the purpose of destroying factories belonging to the enemy, provoking strikes, damaging ships, burning supplies and destroying electricity centers. Special agents were being placed at their disposal. It was added, to bring about explosions and fires.

MATRIMONY BY THE LIGHTNING EXPRESS ROUTE

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 6.—A Sequatchie valley couple have the record on quick matrimonial tying. Arthur Slatton, a prominent young man of Whitwell, and Mrs. Mary Standifer, of Palo, a village some twenty miles north of Whitwell, decided that life would be more enjoyable unless they set by the same fire, so arrangements were made for a consummation of their bliss. Mr. Slatton went to Palo on the morning train of the wedding day and the same train brought the couple back, but not as man and wife until Dunlap was reached, where a minister was in waiting and the ceremony was performed on the train during its stop at the station. Mr. Slatton had telephoned a friend to have a minister in waiting, and as soon as the train arrived he boarded it and the desired words were soon said. The minister was Rev. J. B. Alexander, of Dunlap, and the friend J. E. Dyer, a prominent business man of the town. The train then pulled out bearing the happy couple on to the home at Whitwell awaiting them. Friends of the parties declare this is matrimony by the lightning express route, and the train which has been dubbed by commercial men, in derision of its speed, the "Cannon Ball," will hereafter be known as the "Lightning Express."

MARION UNANIMOUS FOR T. L. STEWART

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 6.—The convention at Jasper yesterday instructed the Marion county delegation unanimously for T. L. Stewart for the nomination for chancellor of the Twelfth chancery division before the convention to be held in South Pittsburg on the 15th instant. There was no dissenting voice in the convention, the friends of Hon. Clem J. Jones, of McMinn, not appearing. The endorsement was a tribute to Mr. Stewart by his friends in this county, as for years he was one of its foremost citizens. The meeting was presided over by S. H. Alexander, president of the Marion Trust and Banking company, with C. M. Layne, a prominent young attorney of Whitwell, as secretary.

REMAINS BROUGHT FROM PENNSYLVANIA

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 6.—The body of Henry Vandergriff was brought to Whitwell Saturday from Hammersville, Pa., where he had died of rheumatism which affected his heart. He was a carpenter in the employ of the coal company there, of which T. G. Fear, formerly of Whitwell, is manager. The body was brought from South Pittsburg as far as Jasper on a skiff Saturday, on account of the high water cutting off train service, and it took three hours to make the trip. Vandergriff has three brothers living near Whitwell.

KENTUCKY BANK CASHIER DEAD IN BASEMENT

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 6.—Shortly after an audit of his books was begun late yesterday, the body of Joseph J. Kimmel, assistant cashier of the Kentucky Title Savings Bank & Trust Co., was discovered in the basement of the bank building. Kimmel, according to a statement made last night by Embury L. Swearingen, president of the institution, apparently had gone immediately to the basement and shot himself, when the bank's auditor began work on his books. A personal bond of \$10,000 on all the employees of the bank will be ample to cover Kimmel's alleged shortages, the total of which was not disclosed, according to Swearingen's statement.

SOLDIER COLONIES HIS SPECIALTY



The returned soldier problem is the chief concern of Thomas Nixon Carver, United States adviser in agricultural economics, who is working out with Senators Curtis, of Kansas, and Sheppard, of Texas, a plan for colonizing United States soldiers after the war. A bill carrying the general idea is already pending in congress. Until recently Prof. Carver was professor of political economy at Harvard university.

TENNESSEE LEADS IN EDUCATIONAL IDEAS

Playgrounds for Children and Care for Babies of Young Mothers Part of Plan.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Tennessee is forging the front in modern educational ideas, according to the current report of the woman's committee of the Council of National Defense.

The report states: "Tennessee has established play schools for young children. Regular and frequent meetings are held for mothers of young babies. At these meetings the babies may be examined by nurses and physicians, and the mothers may receive instructions."

ROOSEVELT UNDERGOES MINOR OPERATION

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt underwent an operation for abscess a few days ago, it became known last night, after his removal from his home here to New York city. While it is understood that the operation was minor in character, it was deemed advisable immediately by the colonel's physician. His removal to New York, it was explained, was to place his physician in closer touch with the case. Last night it was said his condition is "excellent" and that in a week or ten days he will have recovered.

The colonel has cancelled his western trip and the address he was to deliver in Boston before the chamber of commerce tomorrow night. He had planned to leave Saturday to make addresses in Detroit, Des Moines and Milwaukee.

DEKALB HOTEL BURNED AT FORT PAYNE LAST NIGHT

(Special to The News.)

The DeKalb hotel, Fort Payne's oldest and largest hotel, burned to the ground last night. The flames started either from a defective flue or a spark alighting on the dry shingle roof. Occupants fled to the streets in scant apparel, but much of the furnishings

and personal property were saved. The building was insured for \$7,500. Houses adjoining the hotel caught fire from flying sparks, and for a time the north end of the town seemed threatened.

The hotel was constructed in 1888. Fort Payne's boom days, and it is said to have cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000. It had 100 rooms, besides a large lobby. Use of the building for hotel purposes, however, was abandoned some time ago, the owners converting it into an apartment house. Ten families were living there at the time of the fire. Fort Payne has no regularly-employed fire department, leaving the fighting of last night's flames to volunteers. Citizens responded willingly, however, and splendid work was done to keep the flames from spreading.

BERLIN NEWSPAPERS DISTORT WAR SECRETARY'S FORECAST

Print Statement Before Senate Committee, But Make Number of Troops in France 50,000.

Geneva, Feb. 6.—The declaration by Secretary of War Baker that there would be a half million soldiers in France saws this year have been distorted by German newspapers. The Muencher Nachrichten made the number 50,000. The Koelnische Volkszeitung says the number will be only several divisions. The Swiss newspapers are ridiculing the subtleties resorted to by the German organs to conceal the truth.

TRAIN SERVICE RESUMED IN SEQUATCHIE VALLEY

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 6.—Train service was resumed yesterday morning from outside points, a coal train, going up the valley from South Pittsburg at 10:30 a.m. Regular service is now once more in force. Many traveling made communication with the outside world by boat and auto service. They went in skiffs to Glover Hill, where an automobile conveyed them to Battle Creek, where skiff service was used, and, having landed, auto service was resumed to South Pittsburg.

EARTH CAVES IN, KILLING MULE

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 6.—Earth caved in beneath the weight of a mule in Bledsoe county last week and a circular pit eight feet deep was disclosed. The neck of the mule was broken by the fall and the two daughters of C. H. Givens, who were riding the animal, narrowly escaped injury. One girl was partly covered up by the caving earth. They were riding over a field, and only a day or two previous a wagon team had gone over the spot. There was no water in the hole and it was round like a cistern.

LARGE ARMY BALLOON FIRED UPON IN GEORGIA

Suspect Arrested and Held Without Bail Pending Investigation—No One Injured.

Macon, Ga., Feb. 6.—An army balloon, said to be one of the largest attached to the balloon training school near here, was fired upon yesterday during a flight near Eastman, Ga. Its tackling was damaged. The authorities arrested Clem Clements, aged 45, and United States District Attorney E. M. Donaldson ordered him held without bail pending investigation.

The balloon was piloted by H. W. Pardee, of New Haven, Conn. Three students accompanied him. None was injured.

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POLK COUNTY INDORSES JONES FOR CHANCELLOR

Democratic Convention Reaffirms Allegiance to Principles of Democracy.

(Special to The News.)

Benton, Feb. 6.—Pursuant to a call of W. F. Russell, chairman of the Polk county executive committee of the Twelfth chancery division of Tennessee, a mass convention of the democrats was held at the courthouse in the town of Benton on Monday. W. F. Russell was elected chairman of the meeting and Lake Sapington secretary. The chairman appointed a joint committee of five on resolutions and delegation, as follows: Harry Swan, Jr., S. L. Higdon, R. L. Kirkpatrick, John S. Shamblin and J. E. Rollins, which made the following report, which was unanimously accepted by the convention:

"We, the democrats of Polk county, Tennessee, pursuant to a call of the democratic executive committee of the Twelfth chancery division of the state of Tennessee, in mass convention assembled, renew our allegiance to the time-honored principles of the democratic party, and we indorse the national administration of President Woodrow Wilson and pledge him our support for the successful prosecution of the greatest war recorded in history.

"Recognizing the ability, the integrity and the judicial temperament of Hon. Clem J. Jones, of McMinn county, we hereby instruct our delegates to the chancery convention of the Twelfth chancery division of the state of Tennessee, to assemble in South Pittsburg on Feb. 15, 1918, to cast the entire vote of Polk county for his nomination.

"Be it further resolved, That the entire vote of Polk county shall be cast as a unit on all questions, and that no proxies be allowed.

"Be it further resolved, That the following democrats of Polk county be, and they are hereby, elected as delegates to said convention—namely, A. J. Williams, Harry Swan, Jr., B. B. C. Witt, John S. Shamblin, W. F. Russell, S. L. Higdon, R. L. Kirkpatrick, G. F. Wilson, T. C. Tippet, J. C. McAmis, M. H. Campbell, M. M. Matlock."

ARGENTINE CONSUL SAYS IRRRIENDO STRUCK MINE

Buenos Aires, Feb. 6.—Argentina's consul at Barcelona, Spain, has telegraphed a report to the foreign office here on an interview with the captain of the Argentine steamship Ministro Irirendo, which was sunk in the Mediterranean Jan. 26. The captain's statement indicated that his vessel collided with a mine. The consul's report is indefinite, and the Argentine foreign office has asked for details, in the meantime maintaining silence on the subject.

INMAN RESIDENT DIES OF TUBERCULOSIS

(Special to The News.)

Sequatchie, Feb. 5.—William Burke died at Inman Saturday morning of tuberculosis. He was about 50 years old. He leaves a wife and two children, both of whom are married—Mrs. Ben Jones, of Victoria, and Mrs. Arthur Evans, of Inman. The funeral was held at Oak Grove Sunday.

SPANISH MINISTERS STUDY PROPOSED PACT WITH U. S.

Madrid, Feb. 6.—At a meeting of the Spanish cabinet lasting five hours, the ministers discussed the forthcoming elections and the proposed commercial convention between Spain and the United States.

FOOD ADMINISTRATION ISSUES BOOK OF RULES

Washington, Feb. 6.—Amendments and additions to the regulations governing the importation, storage and

distribution of food commodities and feeding stuffs were issued in pamphlet form last night by the food administration. The new rulings apply to all licenses except saltwater fishermen, whose business does not extend beyond primary consignment and millers of wheat and rye with plants having a daily capacity of less than seventy-five barrels.

The amendments and additions became effective Jan. 29, except those governing manufacturers and distributors of feeding stuffs, which will be in force Feb. 15. The purpose is to prevent hoarding and speculation.

COAL DIVERTED TO DOMESTIC CONSUMERS

Cleveland, O., Suffers From Coldest Weather Experienced in Nineteen Years.

Cleveland, O., Feb. 6.—Upwards of 10,000 tons of coal a day are to be diverted during the next two days to domestic consumers as the result of extreme steps taken yesterday by the county fuel committee to help alleviate suffering under the coldest weather Cleveland has had in nineteen years. The official temperature for three hours yesterday was 12 degrees below zero.

MEAT CAUSE OF KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take Salts to flush Kidneys if Back hurts or Bladder bothers.

If you must have your meat every day, eat it, but flush your kidneys with salts occasionally, says a noted authority who tells us that meat forms uric acid which almost paralyzes the kidneys in their efforts to expel it from the blood. They become sluggish and weaken, then you suffer with a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach aches, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine gets cloudy, full of sediment, the channels often get sore and irritated, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night.

To neutralize these irritating acids, to cleanse the kidneys and flush out the body's urinous wastes get four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy here; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate sluggish kidneys, also to neutralize the acids in urine, so it no longer irritates, thus ending bladder weakness.

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